

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Claims 25-34 are active in the application subsequent to entry of this Amendment.

Responsive to the requirement for restriction presented in the Official Action, applicants elect the subject matter of Group II, that is original claims 1-24. Claims 1-14 have been canceled without prejudice to a divisional application directed to the subject matter of these claims.

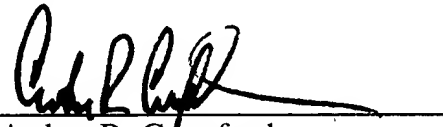
Original claims 15-24 have been revised and directed to methods of treatment as suggested in the Official Action, page 3, third paragraph.

An examination on the merits is awaited taking into account the documents identified in the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 24, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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